

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1669 - SB 1960

March 27, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates standards by which honey may be sold or offered for sale or resale in Tennessee and directs the manner in which specific types of honey are to be labeled. Codifies prima facie evidence of adulteration or misbranding of any product sold or offered for sale as honey.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$67,100

Assumptions:

- According to the Tennessee Department of Agriculture (TDOA), the Department will contract with a private laboratory to analyze honey samples.
- TDOA will annually purchase 100 honey samples at a cost of \$5 per sample, resulting in a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$500 (100 samples x \$5 per sample).
- The laboratory will analyze each sample at a cost of \$625, resulting in a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$62,500 (100 samples x \$625).
- Additionally, the laboratory will conduct pollen analysis on 25 of the samples at a cost of \$158 each, resulting in a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$3,950 (25 samples x \$158).
- The cost to ship each sample to the laboratory will be \$1, resulting in a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$100 (100 samples x \$1 shipping).
- The total recurring increase in state expenditures will be \$67,050 (\$500 + \$62,500 + \$3,950 + \$100).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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